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April 11, 2012

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FROM:

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Director

SUBJECT:

REQUEST TO INCREASE DELEGATED AUTHORITY PERCENTAGE

FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT INNOVATION

COMMUNITY DESIGNED INTEGRATED SERVICE MANAGEMENT
MODEL BOARD LETTER FOR AFRICAN/AFRICAN-AMERICAN
POPULATIONS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2012-13 AND 2013-14

This memorandum is to comply with Board Policy Manual, Section 5.120, Authority to Approve Increases to Board Approved Contract Amounts. The Policy mandates that any department requesting a percentage increase exceeding ten percent of the total contract amount must provide a detailed justification and advance written notice to your Board, with a copy to the Chief Executive Officer, at least two weeks prior to the Board meeting at which the proposed contract is to be presented.

The Department of Mental Health (DMH) requests an additional ten percent for a total of twenty percent delegated authority to amend the existing DMH Legal Entity (LE) Agreements with Special Service for Groups and Kedren Community Health Center Incorporated.

Establish one new LE Agreement with University Muslim Medical Association, Incorporated, to implement the Community Designed Integrated Service Management Model for the African/African-American Populations under the Mental Health Services Act Innovation Plan for Fiscal Years 2012-13 and 2013-14. This authority will allow DMH greater capacity to amend contracts for new funding streams and programs/services and implement such programs/services in a timely and expeditious manner. Therefore, in most instances where speed and response time are of key importance, the objectives to maximize, prioritize, and increase access to services will more effectively meet the County's mission "To Enrich Lives Through Effective and Caring Service."

Should there be a need to exceed the twenty percent delegated authority, DMH will return to your Board with a request for authority to amend the Agreements accordingly.

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If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me, or your staff may contact Richard Kushi, Chief, Contracts Development and Administration Division, at (213) 738-4684.

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